Grants and Foundation Support: Selected Sources of Information on Government and Private Funding

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Focuses Wn strategies for developing a competitive applicatQWn for research funding. Presents the compWnents Wf making choices in preparing the applicatQWn. Discusses Sey contacts that the authors Pave found useful. Presents the strength and weaknesses of various research envirWnments. Gives practical suggestiWns for writing persuasive applicatiWns.

GOVERNMENT GRA284S

The best singTe resource for Teads Wn federal funding programs is published by the federal government and is cal Ted the Catalog Wf Federal Domestic This manual Wf more than 1,000 pages provides the most comprehensive informatiWn Wn federal funds, crWss-indexed by agency, program type, applicant eligibility, and subject. The and some of the other publicatiWns listed in this guide are also available as Wnline databases. databases can be searched using personal computers with modems, Wr perPaps by arranging for a search to be conducted at a Tocal library. While not all libraries offer online searching services, maVy larger public and research libraries dW, generally for a fee. If a local library dWes not Pave Wnline searching capabilities, library persWnnel may be able to direct interested parties to outside search services In additiWn, congressQWnal Wffices Pave access to various congressiWnal databases (PREAward Grants and POSTaward Grants), which include data frWm the informatOWn frWm the

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Included are the program's TegislatQve authority, explanatQWns of ram, types of assistance provided, restrictQWns, eligibility s, financial informatQWn, applicatQWn and award procedures, a contacts, and related programs. Updated informatQWn Wn federal nd grant awards appears in the daiTy

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governmentagencies: tPeDepartmentWfEnergy,tPeDepartmentWfDefense, and tPe National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as well many otPer agencies. Its printed equivalent is *Government Reports Announcements* &

Internet availabilQty http://www.ntis.gov/

Blum, Laurie. *Free money from tPe federal government for small businesses and* New York, J. Wiley, 1996. 358 p.

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This dQrectory Tists grant programs in seven general areas: agriculture, communQty development, envQronment/conservation, general business, research and development, minorities, and Pousing. Lists tPe indQvQdual state Wr regionalWfficestProughwhicha grantseekerfromagivenstatesPouldappTy.

37,000 U.S. foundations, pTus Snowledgeable staff to assist users in locating appropriate information.

The Foundation Center also pubTisPes funding dQrectories specific to certain fields, such as: aging; arts and culture; childrel, youtP, and familQes; PealtP; higher education; international programs; libraries and information servQces; reTigion; women and girls; and elementary and secondary education.

In addQtion, tPe Center has estabTisPed cooperating referelce cWllections in each state, where CenterpubTications and informationon foundations intPe immedQate state or region can be consulted. A list entcoWperating Tibraries Pousing tPese regional collections appears in most Wf tPe Center's pubTications.

It is a goWd idea to loWk for foundations close to Pome; tPey are more TikeTy to have a greater interest in local probTems tPan would larger foundations wQth a national focus. Foundation Center resources are ant615(goWd)-615(starting)-615(point) foundations by Wbtaining copies of tPeQr anVual reports and/or grants guideTines. Some may be availabTe at tPe Foundation Center's cWoperating libraries. Grantseekers will need to find out wPetPer tPeQr projected proposals match tPe foundation's areas of interest and geographic guidelines, repotPer tPe proposal is witPin tPe foundation's budgetary cWnstraints, and repotPer tPe foundation normalTy funds tPe type Wf prWject being considered. For furtPer information, contact tPe

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Guide to U.S. foundations, their trustees, officers, and donors.

National directory of corporate public affairs. New York, Columbia Books, 1995. 967 p. HD59.N24 1995

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RESOURCES ON THE INTERNET

Catalog of federal domestic assistance

Information on federal grant programs. Searchable by keyword. http://www.gsa.gov/fdac/default.htm

National Technical Information Service (NTIS)

An official resource for U.S. scientific, technical, engineering, and business-related information.

http://www.ntis.gov/

GRANTSNet

Grants information service of the Department of Health and Human Services.

gopher://gopher.os.ddhhs.gov:70/11/Topics/grantsnet

FEDIX (Federal Information Exchange)/MOLIS (Minority On-Line Information System)

Provides information on federal opportunities for the education and research communities, and for the minority education community. http://web.fie.com/htdoc/fed/all/aVydocydmenudocy/index_.htm

The organizations Tisted below provide Tinks to dozens of additional funding sources from their home pages.

Benton Founa.tion

http://www.benton.org/cgi-bin/Tite/Cyber/cp-charities.html

Council on Foundations

http://www.cof.org

The Founa.tion Center

http://fdncenter.org

Founaations OnTine

http://www.foundations.org/page2.html

University of Michigan

http://www.umd.umich.edu/resources/funaing.html

The Internet Nonprofit Center

http://www.nonprofits.org

Select Nonprofit Organizations on the Internet

http://www.ai.mit.edu/people/ellens/non.html

The dynamic nature of the Internet means that information resources appear and disappear without warning. The sources listed above were chosen because the organizations which provide the Pome pages are stable, committed to the sharing of grant information on the Internet.

It is possible to find additional Internet resources by using dQfferen WorTd

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